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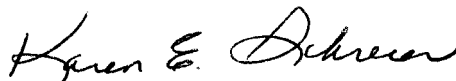
Re: Mears v. City of Sioux Falls  
Civ. 05-4008-KES

Dear Counsel:

The trial date of June 6, 2006, is approaching. The pretrial conference is scheduled for May 19, 2006, and the pretrial submissions are due May 12, 2006. If this case can be settled, that possibility should be explored very soon. Magistrate Judge John Simko would be willing to conduct a settlement conference if you feel it would be helpful.

Please contact Chris Gross at Judge Simko's office (330-4389) if you are interested in scheduling a settlement conference.

Very truly yours,

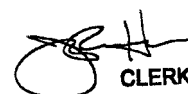


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cc: Magistrate Judge Simko

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